GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:231
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INCROACHMENT OF LAND AT TUGLAKABAD FORT
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

to the reply given to USQ No. 2329 dated August 07, 2001 and state:

(a) whether the CBI has completed its investigation in the matter;

(b) if so, the findings of the CBI and the action taken by the Government on the CBI report;

(c) the reasons for not removing encroachment from the complete fort land;

(d) the details of revenue officials found involved in sale/purchase of fort land and action taken against them;

(e) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item appearing in the Dainik Jagran regarding selling of Tughlakabad Fort land by a mafia gang; and

(f) if so, the facts thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a)&(b): The sale of land and unauthorised construction/encroachment at Tughlakabad Fort was referred to the CBI for investigation on 8.12.2000. The CBI registered the casevide PE dated 1.2.2001 and subsequently converted it to a regular case vide RC-DA1-2001-A-0037 on 15.5.2001. The progress of investigation as reported so far is as follows:

Subsequent to registration of the RC, the CBI ideitified 62 persons which included officials and non-officials.CBI also observedthat some public servants namely S.D. Mishra, ACP and 19 others entered into criminal conspiracy with private persons with the object to grab Government land cause wrongful gains to the private persons/themselves and loss to the Governmentt.

(c): The Archaeological Survey of India has reported that the matter is subjudice at present.

(d): Subsequent to the registration of the case, searches were carried out by CBI at the official and residential premisesof 10 accused persons namely S/Shri (1) Shish Pal, MLA, (2)V.K. Malhotra, SHO,(3) Rati Ram Patwari, (4) SureshPatwari, (5) Subhash Pahalwan, (6) Prakash Kangar, (7) Raja Ram,(8) Bhim Mandar, (9) Karambir and (10) Ramesh Kumar. During searches documents relating to sale and purchase of land and GPAs pertaining to Tughlakabad Fort Area land were seized. Other incriminating documents have also been seized during the searches.

(e)&(f): In the absence of date of publicattion of news-item in the Dainik Jagran, it has not been possible to give facts mentioned therein.